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Wednesday April 29, 2015 will be recognized as “Denim Day” in Los Angeles County to raise awareness of the serious issue of rape and sexual assault.

With proper education, there is evidence that we can successfully reduce the incidence of this psychologically damaging crime.

Denim Day draws attention to the fact that rape and sexual assault remains a serious issue in our society, and injurious attitudes about rape and sexual assault allows these crimes to persist and allow victim/survivors to be re-victimized.

“Denim Day” was also instituted to call attention to false impressions and misinformation about rape and sexual assault; many in our society remain disturbingly uninformed about issues of assault and forcible rape.

The members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors strongly support the efforts of Peace Over Violence to educate persons in our community about the true impact of rape and sexual assault in Southern California.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors does hereby designate April 29, 2015 as “Denim Day” in Los Angeles County, and urges everyone to wear jeans and attend Denim Day observances in their area to help communicate the message there is “no excuse and never an invitation to rape.”

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